

## ABSTRACT

A computer unit for a first ( $z$ ) and a second ( $k, k^*$ ) number comprising at least one place shifting device (3, 4), whose shift position is controlled by an associated shift instruction ( $s_1, s_2$ ) in dependence on the second number ( $k, k^*$ ), and to whose position inputs are conducted the value-  
5 ordered places of the first number ( $z$ ), which generally is a binary coded dual number. The input or output of each place shifting device ( $s_1, s_2$ ) has associated with it a sign inverter (5, 6), which is controlled by an associated sign instruction ( $n_1, n_2$ ), in dependence on the second number ( $k, k^*$ ), which generally is a binary coded dual number using the canonical form, and on the output side, each place of the place shifting device (3, 4) is connected respectively to a place input of a  
10 four-place adder (7).